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1. [REDACTED] following a Cominform directive on 1 March, the Lebanese and Syrian Communist Parties have been organizing on a war basis, setting up command cadres and organizing special squads and communication systems.
2. Khalid Baghdash, appointed by the Cominform to be Director-General of all Middle Eastern Communist Parties, is said to have left Beirut for Syria to organize special squads along the Turkish and Iraqi frontiers.

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